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Taiwan Becomes 144th Member of the WTO

01/15/2002 Japan - Ineligible Product Effective January 12, 2002, all poultry and poultry products (including cooked/canned product) are ineligible for export to Japan for 90 days. This restriction applies to shipments previously packed and certified before January 12, 2002. Contact the FSIS Technical Service Center at (402) 221-7400 for further information.

01/15/2002 Costa Rica - Eligible Product Fresh/frozen poultry and poultry products are eligible for export to Costa Rica. All Federally inspected establishments are eligible to export red meat and red meat products and poultry and poultry products with the exception of fresh/frozen chicken and chicken products.

Fresh/frozen chicken and chicken products must originate from plants that have been pre-approved by Costa Rica inspection officials. The list of approved chicken plants for export to Costa Rica is updated periodically and is available through the Export Requirements Library. www.fsis.usda.gov/OFO/export/explib.htm

Source: USDA/Food Safety Inspection Service

EU Commission

The European Commission adopted a proposal to prolong the special market support measures in the beef sector. Known as the "special purchase scheme," it is one of the measures designed to ease the short-term pressures on the beef and veal market caused by the BSE crisis. A substantial number of cows linked to the beef crisis but not slaughtered in 2001 are expected to be brought to the market in the first quarter of 2002. Since July 1, 2001 about 165,000 metric tons of meat has been bought by the Member States, some of which has been used as national humanitarian aid.

Source: European Commission

Japan: Dried Egg Imports in metric tons

	Dried Whole Eggs	Dried Yolks	Dried Albumen	Total
2000				
August	258.4	227.0	825.7	1,311.1
September	131.0	173.7	600.1	904.8
October	242.9	177.3	857.2	1,277.4
2000 To-Date	2,024.9	1,630.1	7,869.9	11,524.9
2001				
August	360.4	213.3	757.4	1,331.1
September	243.6	156.1	606.2	1,005.9
October	300.0	166.3	1,039.8	1,506.1
2001 To-Date	2,484.6	1,799.4	8,029.8	12,313.8

Source: ALIC Monthly Statistics

On 1 January 2002, Chinese Taipei became the 144th member of the World Trade Organization, 30 days after it had notified the WTO that it had completed domestic ratification of its accession package. Many hope that the entry of both Taiwan and China to the WTO will bring about an era of reconciliation between them and help ease bitter political differences.

Source: BRIDGES Weekly Trade News Digest

France and United States: Turkey Meat Production and Exports in thousand metric tons

	Production		Export	
	France	US	France	US
1996	663	2,450	323	199
1997	702	2,455	384	275
1998	725	2,366	373	202
1999	683	2,372	378	234
2000	720	2,419	346	208
2001	735	2,467	225*	223

*Jan-Sep

Source: USDA/FAS, FAO, MHR Viandes

Free Trade Areas In Asia

Japan Signs First FTA

The Prime Ministers of Japan and Singapore on 13 January 2002 signed an historic bilateral free trade agreement (FTA). This is the first FTA for Japan and is expected to take effect the middle of the year. Japan's Prime Minister Koizumi was on a weeklong trip to five Southeast Asian countries in a bid to boost economic ties between Japan and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, ASEAN. ASEAN comprises the Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia, Brunei, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

The Prime Ministers of Japan and Thailand agreed in principle to create a free trade area within one year. The FTA would cover all areas of trade and investment between the two countries. Many goods would also enjoy lower tariffs and non-trade barriers.

Free Trade Area in South Asia Planned

Leaders from the seven South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) countries pledged on 6 January to finalize a draft treaty for a free trade area by the end of this year. The leaders of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, the Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka said the FTA must incorporate binding time frames. The countries in SAARC represent 20 percent of the global population.

Source: BRIDGES Weekly Trade News Digest

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Jan 05, 2002

Year-To-Date

	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Liquid	133	91	133	91
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	133	91	133	91

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending Jan 05, 2002

Year-To-Date

	2002	2001/1	2002	2001
Liquid	20	8	20	8
Frozen	6	3	6	3
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	26	11	26	11

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Jan 05, 2002

Year-To-Date

	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	240	0	240	0
Large	1,249	2,340	1,249	2,340
Medium	110	0	110	0
Ungraded	0	3,000	0	3,000
Misc	0	787	0	787
Total	1,599	6,127	1,599	6,127

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION

(PRELIMINARY)

W/E 05-Jan-02

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,436	1,171	2,607
LAST WEEK	1,176	818	1,994
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,361	772	2,133
TO-DATE/2002	1,436	1,171	2,607
TO-DATE/2001	1,361	772	2,133

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	143	0	143
LAST WEEK	136	0	136
SAME WEEK YR AGO	462	0	462
TO-DATE/2002	143	0	143
TO-DATE/2001	462	0	462

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,579	1,171	2,750
LAST WEEK	1,312	818	2,130
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,823	772	2,595
TO-DATE/2002	1,579	1,171	2,750
TO-DATE/2001	1,823	772	2,595

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

CHICKEN 18-JAN-2002
 — PRICES — VOLUME —
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

— PRICES — VOLUME —
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.00-18.00	13.00	183,600	-
WTD AVERAGE	17.00	13.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	10.00-15.00	9.50-13.00	1,530,000	775,200
WTD AVERAGE	11.13	11.07		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

CHICKEN 18-JAN-2002
 — PRICES — VOLUME —
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.00	-	240,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	17.00			

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

— PRICES — VOLUME —
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.75-17.00	14.00-14.50	635,000	266,000
WTD AVERAGE	15.91	14.06		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.00	11.00-13.75	1,209,600	316,000
WTD AVERAGE	15.00	12.46		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 18 JANUARY 2002.

Demand and trading light on most items. Offerings of tom breast meat ranged adequate to burdensome with fresh in the longest position. Destrapped tenderloin offerings were limited and offerings of whole tenderloins exceeded the spotty buyer inquiry. Offerings of wing meat were adequate, breast trim mixed, and scapula ranged adequate to ample. Bulk parts offerings ranged from light on tom drums and tom 2-joint wings to ample on tom necks. Offerings of 4-8 lb. breasts were adequate to ample.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	29.00	104	28.57	184
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS	27.00		27.00	52	27.00	156
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	10.00	104		
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	67.00	40	67.00	40

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	29.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		T	27.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	10.00	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	67.00	40

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	29.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	28.56	72
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	29.00	104
TAILS		T	27.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	10.00	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	67.00		67.00	40

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	29.00		29.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	28.56	72
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	29.00	104
TAILS	27.00		27.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	10.00	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	66.77	384

MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	28.00		28.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	28.56	72
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	29.00	104
TAILS		F	25.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	10.00	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	66.77	384

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.

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